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Two new positive cases of COVID-19 reported on Kaua'i

LĪHU'E —The Kaua'i District Health Office today reported two new positive cases of COVID-19. This brings Kaua'i's total number of active cases to six, and the cumulative total of cases to date is now 53.

One new case is a minor resident who is a household contact of a current active case.

The second new case is a visiting adult who recently traveled to Kaua'i from out of state and has been in quarantine since arrival, pursuant to the Governor's mandatory traveler quarantine.

All six active cases are in isolation. The Department of Health's contact tracing investigation is ongoing. All identified close contacts are directed to quarantine and offered a test.

None of the cases have required hospitalization.

"Our recent cases show that the mandatory traveler quarantine is an important tool in protecting our island from spreading disease here," stated Mayor Derek S.K. Kawakami. "I can only hope that the 355 new cases reported across the state today serves as a wake-up call for both our visitors and residents that now is simply not the time for leisurely travel."

As a reminder, all incoming arrivals to Kaua'i are subject to the Governor's 14-day mandatory traveler quarantine. There are very limited situations in which modified quarantine permissions are allowed, including people who must travel interisland for critical infrastructure jobs, or those who must travel for medical reasons.

Interisland travelers who believe they qualify for a modified quarantine should visit www.kauai.gov/COVID-19 and click on the "Modified Quarantine Request" button at the top of



the page. Be prepared to provide travel details and reason for request. Requests should be submitted at least two days prior to the date of travel.

One of today's new cases will be reflected on the state's COVID-19 website at hawaiiicovid19.com. The second case is expected to be part of Friday's statewide count.

The count is updated at noon every day. For local updates, visit the Kaua'i Emergency Management Agency page, www.kauai.gov/COVID-19.

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